# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# RAILWAYS
# LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1067
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CONSTRUCTION OF RAILWAY LINE BETWEEN KODARMA -HAZARIBAG
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**Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:**

(a) the status of railway line from Kodarma to Hazaribag;

(b) if so, the details thereof alongwith amount allocated under this head;

(c) the time by which the work is likely to be completed; and

(d) the remedial steps to be taken to complete the said work within stipulated time?

## Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS ( DR. R.VELU )

(a) & (b): Kodarma-Hazaribagh is a part of Koderma-Ranchi new line project. On this project, land acquisition, earthwork, bridges etc. have been taken up and overall progress is about 40%. The anticipated cost of the project has been assessed as Rs.1099 crore. An expenditure of Rs.375.44 crore has been incurred upto 31.3.2008 on this project. An outlay of Rs.35 crore has been provided for the work in the Railway Budget 2008-09.

(c) :The target for completion of Koderma-Hazaribagh section has been fixed as March, 2010.

(d). Due to delay in handing over of land and forestry clearance, the earlier finalized contracts had got into disputes and had to be terminated due to unsatisfactory progress. Fresh contracts have been fixed and pace of progress has accelerated. The law and order conditions are adverse in the area and matter is regularly being pursued with the State Government.